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SUPREME COURT.

July 20th.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE CHIEF JUSTICE SMITH.

In re Hong Kong.

Adjourned last week.

Mr. Tolson for the creditors assigned.

Mr. Stephens for the bankrupt.

Mr. Tolson applied for a postponement.

in consequence of his assigned not having had

time to go into the accounts thoroughly.

A subpoena had been issued from the Court.

on the application of Mr. Tolson, for one Chun-

kuan, who is a partner of the bankrupt. It

appeared that the Court had ordered the

assignment of a man who represented

himself to be Chun-kuan, but proved to be

his managing clerk, Chun-kuan being absent

from the Colony.

The proceedings were adjourned to Monday

next, and the Court gave Chun-kuan

should then attend.

SUMMARY JURISDICTION COURT.

July 20th.

BEFORE HIS HONOR T. C. HAYLAR.

C. J. SMITH & THE SONS.

This case was continued.

Mr. Gilles, formerly engineer to the Wham-

poor Docks, was examined with reference

to the state of the engines, so far as it bears on

the conduct of the plaintiff. He stated, to the Court,

that he had better get another engineer.

Witness had some little conversation with Mr. Hay-

lar, and from what passed he could not say he was

incompetent—rather the reverse. There was no

doubt that the engines could be repaired.

The report was sent in on the 2nd July, but on

the 1st July Mr. Haylar was told to undertake

those repairs as soon as possible.

They then again met while in Dock, and

found that little or none of the overhauling

had been put in hand, from neglect of the en-

gineers on board. The only piece of overhauling

that had been done was the lifting of the

forward cylinder, and the removing

the nuts from the jacket ring. This could have

been done in a few hours. This was the fault

of the engineers, who had four days to do it.

They knew the vessel was in a very bad way.

The overhauling of the cylinders and con-

densers is work always done by the staff on board.

It was further recommended that the slide

valve should be pieced. The valve was to be

disconnected and taken out of the engine.

Mr. Gilles said he had no objection to this.

This would have taken about half a day. Previous

to the vessel leaving for Macao, witness went

on board of her. All the repairs which had

been recommended by the staff on board, had

been done. It was informed that the condenser

had not been overhauled. The cylinders had been

overhauled and the alteration made to the slide

valve. He should say the engines were in a

very bad way. Five days were lost after the

vessel's return, during which little or nothing

was done. Two kinds of the coal were

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